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A SCHOOL PAPER

The First Issue.....

Not so long ago, perhaps a matter of two years, certain students in the R.I. School of Design got together and got out a publication for their fellow students entitled the Broadsheet. After a while it was discontinued and until this time no effort has been made for its revival. It seems to us that such a paper should be in existence and so your Student Council has undertaken to start a school paper to be given free of charge to all students.

In this paper we shall try to acquaint you with the various art exhibitions and shows that are being presented in the Museum, Art Club, or the Faunce House in Brown University. We know also

that students would like to have knowledge of the many Student Council activities and their proposals for the future.

Each class should feel that they have a space in our paper to advertise any of their plans and all material will be welcomed by any member of the staff.

The staff of the Broadsheet can rewrite, set-up, run-off, and distribute their publication but we want you to know that we are counting on the students to let us know what is going on all over our school. A box will be placed in the cafeteria for all news, or material may be given to anyone working on the staff of the "DESIGNER". Contribute also any bits of humor that you have in mind.

ITEMS OF THE MOMENT

Exhibitions.....

For the past week at the Faunce House Gallery there has been an exhibition of 85 original etchings of Francesca Goya, one of the greatest names in the history of Spanish Art. These prints are a gift to Brown University from John W. Wannamaker of New York.

The Art Club is now showing a Water-Color exhibit done by several Rhode Island artists.

Just as a note -- we can use any good cartoons or sketches that are submitted & the artist will be given recognition for his own work. Our next issue ought to have everything that you want in it.

Club Activities.....

It was voted at the last meeting of the Dramatic Club that they present a one-act comedy entitled "The Red Velvet Goat" in collaboration with the "Something Old-Something New" shows presented on a Sunday afternoon. Mr. Goss of the Graphic Arts Department will be their director.

If you liked their assembly presentation of a serious play we are sure that the comedy "The Red Velvet Goat" will be enjoyed even more.

The Trek Club is planning on a Ski Week-end which sounds like a really wonderful time for all out-door minded people. We hope that many will be able to go and enjoy themselves.

The Student Council Activities.....

I wonder if everyone is aware of the fact that for the past month or so we have had a committee busily engaged in preparing a R.I.S.D. Yearbook which is to be given to all students that have now paid their 3 dollar fee this year. This book will contain pictures of all the seniors, classes as a group, the Student Council, & Faculty. The book has been attractively planned by a capable freshman, Avery Rogers, for it has been well written up and is neatly bound.

We hope that everyone enjoyed the assembly programs that were sponsored by the Student Council during the month of February. Ira Rakatansky and a committee were in charge of the whole program. We've hear Ira saying that he'd like to put on another Musical Review with a little more time allotted for preparation. Frankly we think that more of that type of entertainment is just what we need today.

Right now your Council is making every effort to raise money for DEFENSE and as soon as their final plans have been made we hope that the school will get behind 100%. We can't ignore the fact that as a school we are in a position to do more as a group than we have done up to date. Above all we urge any student of the School of Design to contribute any ideas, no matter how small they may seem, for many ideas are far better than none.

Ramblings.....

I see by the advertising that there is to be another dance in Memorial Hall on April 10th. It seems that they are even presenting a floor show too. The novel affair is sponsored or run by Sop'omores and tickets will be \$1.25 as usual. It should be great so don't miss it.

Also keep in mind the big event of the year--the Junior-Senior Prom that will be held May 1st. I hear that they'll be having a good band down from Boston and the dance will be at the Agawan Country Club.

I saw a very nice fashion show presented by some of the girls in the Costume Dept. last Sun. afternoon. Miss Ripley

The Last Three Assemblies.....

... varied program of both enlightening and entertaining material has been presented to us on the last three Wednesdays in the Auditorium.

Col. Charles Wellington Furlong, a well informed and gifted speaker lectured to us on "Neutralitie's Last Frontier". It was a good sound lecture, not high flown or rambling, and it gave us a clear picture of the foreign policies of Turkey and other countries playing an important part in the war. The lecture ended in a blaze of glory when Col. Furlong dressed in a Beduin costume, complete with ceremonial knife.

The next week gave us a very popular assembly as it had been petitioned by a large number of students. It was entirely a musical assembly, with records played on the capehart and the lights so cleverly synchronized to the music. Between pieces Eliot Finklos gave interesting comments on the lives of the composers. Everyone was very enthusiastic at the results of this experiment.

The latest assembly, opened by the student council president, Jack Bessel, had two parts. The first was a skiing movie, showing Friedl Lang and a group of young skiers, one of whom was Judith Cressy. Miss Cressy acted as commentator during the movie and encouraged people to go on the Trek Club skiing weekend, scheduled for the 27th.

The second part of the program was devoted to an excellent movie about South America, entitled "Americans All". It was a comprehensive film, showing the historical background and the present way of life of America's twenty southern republics. It was beautifully filmed & put together and was both interesting and instructive. A. R.

lectured on Lace and its present use and the girls modeled very lovely clothes that wore of lace or had a lace trim.

It's great to see so many School of Design Students taking DEFENSE courses of one kind or another. Noticeable is the large number of girls that are taking engineering drawing, map-making, and some are even in Camouflage. That's the kind of spirit that's good to see.